

Thank you for participating in the Operation Military Kids Hero Pack and Letter Writing Project

INSTRUCTIONS:

Each Hero Pack will include a hand-written note of encouragement written to a military soldier, a military child and a military family. Letters are written by volunteers who are involved in a particular community's project. These volunteers may include community members, children, teens, families and/or others.

Please send all letters to:

Serve Idaho, ATTN: Jennifer Caprile, 317 W. Main St., Boise ID 83735

This is a list of guidelines to follow while writing a letter.

- Letter must be politically neutral.
- Letter must have a positive tone and politically neutral. Do not tell the military youth how bad you think their situation is or how sorry you may feel for them.
- Do not provide personal identification of who wrote the letter (NO phone numbers, email address, street address, etc.)
- Thank the youth for their sacrifices that they are making.
- Remind the military youth that they are heroes too.
- The message in each letter should come from "the heart" so there is no standard format.

(See attached sample letters)

POSSIBLE LETTER CONTENT:

Dear Military Child,

Thank you.....

- Grateful
- Most appreciated
- Sacrifice, unselfish
- Service
- Patriotism
- National honor
- Pride
- Love of country
- Devotion to freedom

Sincerely,

First name (don't use last name or any other identifying information)

*EXAMPLE LETTER TO A SOLDIER'S
CHILD/CHILDREN.*

Dear Military Youth,

Thank you so much for the hardships you have endured and the sacrifices you have made while your father or mother has served our country. We are thinking of you and our prayers are with you and your family.

Sally from Idaho

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Dear Military hero,
you are a hero in my eyes! your sacrifice of a loved family member is so greatly appreciated! Words cannot express my love for you and amazing individuals such as you.

Things are rough but my greatest advice I could ever think to give you would be to pray. I know Jesus Christ lives and our heavenly father can answer our prayers. Even if ~~there~~^{they're} prayers of comfort.

Again, your sacrifice does NOT go unnoticed and you yes you, ~~are~~^{are} incredible. Never forget your in thousands of prayers, daily. You are special! :)
with so much love,

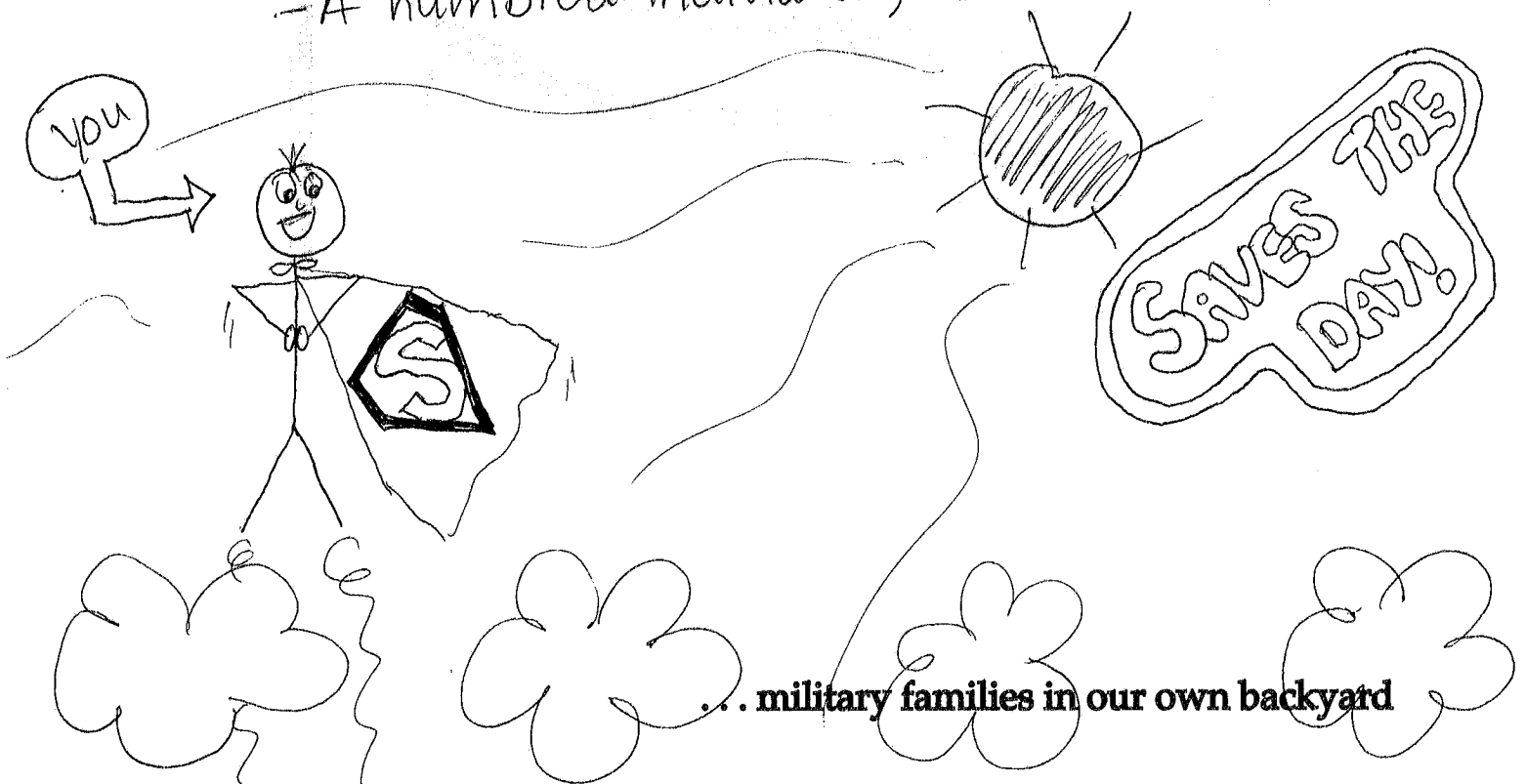
-Kassidy-

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To a very awesome person,

I wanted to take the time to let you know how strong & courageous you are! I know you are asked to deal with hard things - like having members of your family gone at certain periods of time - which can easily get some people down. However, you are a part of a very honorable & noble cause, and I would like to thank you for your honorable & noble efforts! Not everyone could do what you do, & that is why I want to again tell you how amazing & super fabulous you are!

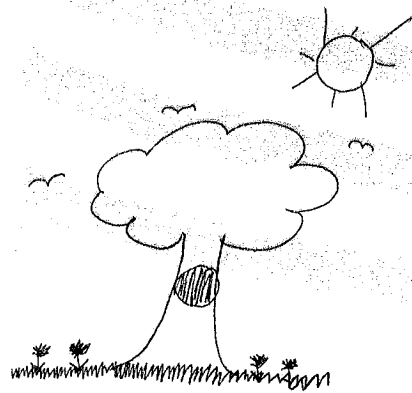
- A humbled individual, Amanda ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ ☺



... military families in our own backyard

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I think you are so amazing and I don't even know you! You're so brave and cool. My brother is in the Army and I really miss him. But I know he's serving his country and doing the right thing with his life. I'm not sure what else to write so instead I'll draw a picture! :)



By: Jana
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God bless,
★ Jana ~~gana~~

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Thank you for helping or
countly! Luis

